

HISTORICAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES WORKING GROUP Meeting Minutes 9:00 1/2/18

Town Hall Annex 1st Floor Conference Room

Attendees: Nat Strosberg Planning Dept Chair, Lara Kritzer Consultant, Steve Makowka, JoAnn Robinson, Diane Schafer, George Parsons, Ann LeRoyer, Pete Howard

The minutes of 12/19/17 were approved as corrected. Unanimous.

Each property selection subgroup appointed at the last meeting gave its report as follows.

Steve & Diane recommended all of Churchill from MA to Gray except for #70 & #97 but including the 2 houses at the south end on Gray, #97 & #100. They also recommended all of Temple east of Lockeland.

JoAnn & Ann recommended all of Lockeland including #31 except 54 & 59. They also recommended #131, #135, #141, #147, #153, #159, #112, #144, and #102 on Gloucester and all of Bailey.

Pete confirmed all of Lara's selections on Bartlett except for the 2 at the bottom across from Whole Foods #5 & #7/9. Members wanted to include #5 because it was designed by a local architect. He also recommended all the houses on Windermere Ave & Windermere Park but not the House on Windermere Lane. He recommended no houses on Newman. There was a discussion of the apartment house that has an entry at #15. The building is listed by the assessors on MA Ave.

AHS was discussed again. Pete again expressed the concerns of 2 School Committee members that inventorying this building would complicate renovation negotiations with the state and might lead to expensive delays. JoAnn again stated that this important property should be evaluated. She said she could not speak for the AHC but in the past the Commission had not held up demolition of similar buildings but had instead saved notable building details. Lara said that if a building is evaluated using State money and is found to be worth listing, it would have to go on the State's inventory. She pointed out that the later phases of this project would be paid for with CPA funds. That would enable Arlington to evaluate AHS without adding it to the inventory.

The group voted to ask Lara to evaluate most of the buildings recommended above but not AHS plus the buildings on Village Lane & Willow Court for a total of 135. Unanimous.

Nat will use an on line scheduler to arrange a date & time for the next meeting. Pete Howard Secretary 1/2/18